Eliza Davis, C. C. Hanson and Robert Boyd. Referred to No. 1.

Joseph J. Wallace, Adjutant Conclave 25, Knights of Sherwood Forest, application for use of East End Hall on the evening of March 31st. Granted.

James Murray and others—Application for use of East End Hall on payment of current expenses on the coming Easter Monday, April 11. Granted.

From W. R Meredith, Q. C., City Solicitor, dated March 3, *re* Central School grounds with copy of the Bill. Referred to No. 1 Committee.

From C. A Kingston, opposing the use of the Queen's Park as a Fair Grounds, and offering the Council instead the "Sextus Kent Farm," 107 acres, at $175 per acre, or about $5 000 less than the amount of the lien existing upon the Park

On the Fair Board petition and Mr Kingston's letter, a deputation consisting of Messrs. A W. Porte, B Cronyn, John Campbell and Col. Lewis was heard.

Mr. C. A. Kingston spoke in favor of the points contained in his communication.

Mr. Brunton replied.

Ald. Bowman moved, seconded by Ald. Stringer, that the communications be referred to a special Committee, consisting of Ald. G. Taylor, McIntosh, McDonald, Davis and the mover, to report at the meeting of the Council in one week from today.

Ald. Taylor moved in amendment, that the matter be referred to No. 1 Committee, and that the Mayor be requested to call a special meeting in the City Hall on the 16th inst, to have an expression of the ratepayers on the important question of the expenditure of such a large sum of money.

Ald. Greer seconded.

Ald. Taylor's motion was lost on the following vote:—

Nays—Ald. Jarvis, Davis, McDonald, Moule, Bowman, Hook, Stringer, Moore, Taylor, Dreaney, McIntosh, Heaman.

Yeas—Ald. C. Taylor, Greer and Vining.

Ald. Bowman's motion was then carried.

Ald. Bowman then moved that a public meeting of the citizens be called for Tuesday, 22nd inst., to discuss the matter of the Western Fair. Carried

THE LICENSE QUESTION.

A deputation from the city clergymen addressed the Council in the following order: Revs. Dr Ryckman, W. H. Porter, Canon Innes, J. A. Murray, D. G. Sutherland, J. V. Smith, W. M. Rogers, R. Thomas, Thomas Cobb, F. S. Johnson, E. Holmes, and members of the Prohibition Society.

They argued strongly in favor of reducing the number of liquor licenses to be granted this year, in the interest of morality and temperance.

Ald. Bowman then moved, seconded by Ald. George Taylor, that the License Commissioners be requested to withhold licenses from those parties who have persistently broken the laws in the past, and to grant a considerably lower number of licenses than in the past; and that billiard rooms, in connection with hotels, be required to close at the same hours as the bar-rooms.

Ald Davis moved in ammendment, seconded by Ald. Moule, that this Council favors the strict enforcement of the law regulating and controlling the liquor traffic, and would respectfully suggest to the License Commissioners the propriety of granting licenses to those holding licenses who have fairly observed the law, but this Council does not deem it prudent to dictate at this time to the License Commissioners the number of licenses which they shall issue Carried.

Yeas—Ald. Taylor, Davis, McDonald, Greer, Moule, Hook, Vining, Dreaney—8.

Nays—Ald Jarvis, Bowman, Stringer, Moore, George Taylor, Heaman, McIntosh —7.

NO. 3 COMMITTEE REPORT.

Ald. Stringer, Chairman, presented the following:—

1—That William Flemming, permanent man, Fire Department, receive his increase of pay, $50 per annum, from 1st instant.

2—That the Committee be allowed to call for tenders for the supply of serge suits, one for each permanent fireman.

3—That the application of J G. Dodd for permission to add a slight alteration to his kitchen, be referred for your consideration.

4—That the tender of William Ironsides to light and extinguish the street lamps in the Fifth Ward for $470 from the 15th February last be accepted.

5—That the tenders for relief wood—Maurice Baldwin, $4.44 per cord; William Heaman, $1 48—be submitted for your decision, and the contractor be compelled to furnish the wood in an open rack provided by the Corporation.

On motion the report was received and considered *seriatim*

The first and second clauses adopted.

The subject of the third clause was referred to the members of the Ward with power.

On the fourth clause Ald. Heaman oved it be referred back to the Committee advertise for tenders.

The amendment was lost, and the clause dopted.

Fifth clause adopted.

NO. 2 COMMITTEE.

Ald. Moore (Chairman) presented a report of ogress in the various matters referred to em.

NO. 1 COMMITTEE REPORT.

Report presented by Ald. Bowman (Chairman).

1.—Your Committee having examined the llowing accounts and finding them correct recommend the same for payment.

NO. 1 COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS.

cidental Expenses—		
J J Anderson	$ 25	
Telm	35	
		$ 60
uthern Pound—		
Rent H Winder		[illegible] 50
		$13 10

NO. 2 COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS.

reets, etc.—		
Pay sheet		$ 250 10
" "		376 40
ty Hall—		
W H Heard & Co.		11 64
R Mawhinney		5 00
wn Hall—		
Waspe & Smith		3 50
ictoria Park—		
Jas Thompson		14 65
		$661 29

NO. 3 COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS.

ospital—		
Pay sheet	$ 184 65	
Somerville, Connor & Co.	277 33	
" " "	180 16	
J Gatecliff	172 92	
Wm Bailey	115 50	
D Carroll	76 88	
Harkness & Co	54 96	
Leonard Bros	40 81	
J Ranahan	40 16	
Wm Johns	24 65	
London Soap Co	3 00	
		$ 1,171 01
re Department—		
Dr Stevenson	$ 33 00	
Samuel Nottley	9 80	
Ed McKenzie	4 00	
		$ 46 80
reet Lighting—		
Wm Ironside	$ 169 17	
" "	4 75	
W. Wyatt	40 72	
D. Fraser	5 25	
		$ 219 89
reet Watering—		
George McNeill		60 25
		$1,497 95
lief Accounts—		
M. Baldwin		342 08
R. R Passes		5 90
Somerville, C. & Co		32 50
B. Cottam		7 60
		$ 388 08
Total accounts		2,560 37

2—That the petition of Mrs. Barrett be granted by allowing a rebate on 1886 taxes of $4 16.

3—That Mrs. Pugh be allowed a remission of $6 92, the half of 1886 taxes.

4 That Mrs. Mason's petition for remission of 1883 taxes be granted, by allowing a rebate of $10 65.

5—Your committee beg to recommend that J. Symmonds' account, $75, for copying, be paid in full, but would recommend that in future the books of the city be not allowed to be taken out of the city offices.

6—Your committee have under consideration the celebration of the Queen's jubilee and beg to report progress.

7—That the petitions of Iremius Lewis, *re* assessment, and A M Shrieves, *re* dog tax, be filed. No power.

8—Your committee beg to report progress on petitions of Mary A. Howard, Mrs. Cudmore, Johannah Gardner, Jane Taylor, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. McNeil, Samuel Edwards, William Marriatt and F W Parker.

The report was adopted without further discussion.

RAILWAY COMMITTEE.

Ald McDonald presented the following:

1—The communication of S. P. Maybee, of Port Rowan, *re* the L. & S. E. Ry., that the Clerk notify him that there is no prospect of the extension to Port Rowan at present.

2—Your Committee beg leave to ask the Council for permission to re-open negotiations with the G. T. R. Company, *re* the re-construction of the car shops. Adopted.

The By-law to define cart and wagon stand was submitted for a third reading.

Ald. Moore moved, seconded by Ald. Jarvis, to refer the By-law back for further consideration. Carried.

In reply to Ald Davis, Ald Stringer said the electric light would be put in the City Hall very soon. The delay was caused by new reflectors being required.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

By Ald. Moore—That billiard rooms be compelled to close from 7 o'clock on Saturday evening till 7 o'clock on Monday morning.

By Ald McDonald—That Ald. Davis, Hook, McIntosh, Vining and the mover be a special Committee to confer with the people of London South and get their views as to amalgamation with the city.

Ald. Taylor moved that $250 be placed to the credit of No. 2 Committee for expenditure in stone breaking, in accordance with the petition of the men employed. Carried.

The Council then adjourned.